



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: RON CLARK et al.)
)
TITLE: ENDOSTEAL TIBIAL)
LIGAMENT FIXATION WITH)
ADJUSTABLE TENSIONING)
)
SERIAL NO.: 10/705,393) RESPONSE A
)
FILED: November 10, 2003)
)
EXAMINER: R. Shaffer)
)
ART UNIT: 3733)
)

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

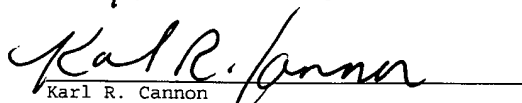
Sir:

Responsive to the election or restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed November 17, 2006, applicants request entry of this Response A and reconsideration of the above-captioned application.

A shortened statutory period for response of one (1) month was set for response to the Office Action. Accordingly, a Petition for a one-month extension of time and a PTO Form 2038 (credit card payment form) appropriate in amount to cover the corresponding fee are also enclosed.

Certificate of Deposit Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on the 17 day of January, 2007.


Karl R. Cannon
Attorney Registration No. 36,468
Attorney for Applicant